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[on the report of the Second Committee (A/56/558/Add.4)]

56/184. Enhancing international cooperation towards a durable solution to the external debt problems of developing countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 51/164 of 16 December 1996, 52/185 of 18 December 1997, 53/175 of 15 December 1998, 54/202 of 22 December 1999 and 55/184 of 20 December 2000 on enhancing international cooperation towards a durable solution to the external debt problems of developing countries,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the external debt and debt-servicing problems of developing countries, including those resulting from global financial instability;[1]

2. *Takes note also* of the deliberations of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Financing for Development,[2] which is to be held at Monterrey, Mexico, from 18 to 22 March 2002;

3. *Stresses* the importance of the continued substantive consideration of the sub-item on external debt crisis and development;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session on the external debt crisis and development, bearing in mind, inter alia, the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session, under the item entitled "Macroeconomic policy questions", the sub-item entitled "External debt crisis and development".

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[1] A/56/262.

[2] See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 28* (A/55/28), part two; ibid., *Supplement No. 28A* (A/55/28/Add.1); ibid., *Supplement No. 28B* and corrigendum (A/55/28/Add.2 and Corr.1); and ibid., *Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 28* and corrigendum (A/56/28 and Corr.1).